Interagency Council on Homelessness

MINUTES

WORKGROUP: POLICY, PLANNING, AND ADVOCACY

DATE: 5/5/2017

TIME: 9:30a - 11:30a CST

MEMBER
ATTENDEES

Julie Ritter, Marisa Whitsett, Robyn Butterfield, Wayne Snelling, Mike Dunthorn, Stephanie Jarnigan, Paul Hines, Tammy Lynn, Justin Singleton

Agenda topics

1. IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

DISCUSSION	The workgroup was updated on the scheduled facilitated work day in order to create a recommendation to state leadership to increase affordable housing necessary to end homelessness. The work day will include state agencies and CoCs.		
FOLLOW-UP ITEMS	N/A		

2. ACTION STEP REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION	 2.1 - Discussed the need to communicate better with city and county leaders to gain more support. A suggestion of creating a publication that can be sent out to mayor's offices with data for their area, the state and a featured story. 2.2 - Suggestion to write something for the sheriff's newsletter that is geared towards them and their role in ending homelessness. Potential to speak at their conference or engage them somehow. Reach out to Tom Starling for presentation with possible stats to use to prove the worth of services 5.1 - Discussed ECD - Paul Hines to send contact to Abigail. Other incentives include federal bonds and work opportunity tax credit 5.5 - DOE is conducting regional meetings with homeless liaisons over the next couple of months and is inviting CoCs in the areas to attend. Justin is going to CoCs and discussing differences in homeless definitions and how DoE can service people who don't meet HUD's definition. 6.4 - f/up needed with TDOC and with TLWD 6.5 - TDoT Contact - provided by Justin 9.1 - Abigail to set up meeting between TDMHSAS, TDOC, and TennCare
FOLLOW-UP ITEMS	 Abigail to set up meeting with TDMHSAS, TDOC and TennCare Paul Hines to connect Abigail and ECD Paul Hines to f/up regarding TDLWD's resource mapping Laura Alvarez to help with connection for Sheriff's department – possible option to write something for their newsletter, speak at their conference. Will reach out to Tom Starling for presentation with possible stats

ATTACHMENTS